

Please continue regulating broadband service.

If this petition is granted, the large phone companies would no longer be subject to regulatory review of their broadband pricing to independent ISPs like mine---Sonic.net---which then would have to individually negotiate pricing and the ability to interconnect, which would undoubtedly raise their prices, and mine as their customer.

I cherish my independence from SBC. I value having my ISP as a buffer between SBC and me. I get great service from a small provider, and that is invaluable to me.

Please continue regulating broadband, for the sake of the end-user: me. Thank you.

Sincerely,
R. E. "Ari" Thompson, citizen, taxpayer and voter